

2012 East Coast Junior Freestyle Championships

Waterville Valley, NH ~ March 15 - 18, 2012

Congratulations on qualifying for the 2012 East Coast Junior Freestyle Championships!

Waterville Valley Academy and BBTS Ski Club are looking forward to hosting all of the talented skiers from the USSA Eastern Division of Freestyle and Freeskiing. We are excited to honor and recognize the top athletes from all of the USSA age groups participating in the Eastern Qualifier Series.

Freestyle skiing isn't about being the same or doing the same things as everyone else on skis. It is a way of projecting your individuality and creativity. As hosts of the ECJF Champs, we want to encourage you to keep promoting those principles by training, competing and having fun with freestyle skiing! To those ends, we have been working hard to make this year's experience rewarding and enjoyable for you, the athlete. Not only will we provide outstanding freestyle venues for you to train and compete on, but we have also organized several exciting social opportunities for you to gather with your peers and enjoy each other's company. Please join us for a week of fun, friends and freestyle!

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Ski Area Website	http://www.waterville.com

WELCOME BBQ, REGION PARADE AND BAGJUMP SESSION:

Athletes and their families are invited to a Welcome BBQ, Region Parade and BagJump Session at the Waterville Valley Academy on Thursday, March 15. Athletes and parents will gather at the WVA field to be welcomed by the Organizing Committee and Event Officials. Each team is encouraged to bring their team flag or banner to show off team pride. The Welcome Ceremony and BBQ will be followed by a BagJump Session for any athlete, age 8 or older that is interested in hitting our new dryslope BagJump venue. Please sign up online at <http://www.wvbts.org/freestyle/ecjfchamps>. You will also need to complete the BagJump waiver and turn it in at registration. This can also be downloaded on the above website. Athletes must bring their own equipment including a helmet, boots and twin tip skis (no aerial or mogul skis, please).

DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT:

All athletes are invited to participate in a Junior Olympic Dodge ball Tournament at the Waterville Valley Recreation Center from 6:30 – 8:30pm on Friday, March 16, 2012. In years past, this has been proved to be one of the most thrilling athletic events associated with Freestyle Championships hosted by WV! Sign up your team by filing out the online form at <http://www.wvbts.org/freestyle/ecjfchamps>. Teams are encouraged to dress in a theme, as we will be giving out a prize for Best Dressed dodgeball team. Rules for the tournament will be posted online.

BANQUET:

All athletes receive complementary admission to the awards banquet at the Waterville Valley Conference Center on Sat, March 17. Families can purchase banquet tickets for \$30 each during online registration and also at the registration booth while supplies last. Please note that you must purchase your banquet ticket by Thurs, March 15.

ECJF CHAMPS SWEATSHIRTS:

Athletes will be able to purchase the official 2012 ECJ Freestyle Champs Hoodie Sweatshirt at the registration booth during the competition week, but are encouraged to purchase them online beforehand in order to guarantee availability. Sweatshirts are \$45. Supplies are very limited; get yours early! To guarantee your purchase, it is best to pre-order your sweatshirt through the online registration.

REGISTRATION BOOTH – MEET HEADQUARTERS:

Registration and the Meet Headquarters will be located at the Sun Room on the 2nd Floor of the Waterville Valley Base Lodge. See the schedule for hours of operation. You will be able obtain the following throughout the course of the week:

- Welcome Packet, Athlete Goodie Bag, Bib (Don't forget your \$20 bib deposit!), Athlete Lift Tickets - Competition and Training, Discounted family lift ticket vouchers, Family Banquet Tickets, Event Results and General Information

LIFT TICKETS:

ATHLETES: You will receive complementary lift tickets for all of your competition days. Training tickets can be purchased on any day you plan to ski/train from March 15 - 18 for \$30. To purchase training tickets, please come to the registration desk to pick up a voucher. You will then take the voucher down to the WV ticket booth to purchase discounted lift tickets.

FAMILIES: Parents and siblings can receive discounted lift tickets to Waterville Valley. The cost will be \$58 on the weekend and \$48 on weekdays. Pick up your lift ticket vouchers at registration and take the voucher to the ski area ticket window to purchase discounted tickets. Vouchers will be valid Thursday – Sunday.

LODGING:

Competitors will receive lodging at a discounted rate through 1-800-GO VALLEY. Make sure to let them know you are with the East Coast Junior Freestyle Champs. Here are the pricing rates for the event:

Town Square Condos - 3 level condo sleeps 8 is \$232.74 Plus tax per night (3 units available)/2 Bedroom condo sleeps 6 is \$214.25 plus tax p/n (7 Units Available)

Valley Inn - \$100 plus tax p/n (30 units available)

Golden Eagle - 1 bedroom sleeps 5 \$109 plus tax P/N (20 available) / 2 Bedroom \$138 plus tax p/n (5 available)

AWARDS:

Awards ceremonies will be at the base of the mountain, in front of Sport Thoma, each day. Awards will begin ½ hour after the end of competition. The only exception is Saturday, March 17. Awards for that day will be at the Banquet.

EVENT PHOTOGRAPHY:

We have a professional photographer taking photos during all events. Photos will be available for purchase 2 days after the completion of each event. ***You may view the photos at -***

<http://jeremygasowski.smugmug.com/EC-Jr-FS-Champs>

Questions? Please contact the photographer, Jeremy Gasowski at - jeremygasowski@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

If you are interested in volunteering, we could use your help! Please use the link on the ECJF Champs website to sign up for any number of our available volunteer positions. Volunteers will receive a lift ticket for the day as well a voucher to use for a day of skiing at WV in the future (expires after one year). Volunteers also receive a complementary lunch and apres ski!

VENUE ACCESS:

While discounted lift tickets are available for family and friends (see lift tickets above), we realize that some family members may not ski and want to watch the events. Here is a listing of our venues and how you can access them:

- Slopestyle: Exhibition Terrain Park – SKI OR WALK
- Mogul Course: True Grit – SKI OR DIFFICULT HIKE (about 45 min)
- Aerial Site: Upper Valley Run – SKI OR INTERMEDIATE HIKE (about a 30 min)

JUST FOR COACHES~

USSA MEMBERSHIPS

All coaches attending the ECJF Champs MUST have a current USSA membership and have passed the USSA background check in order to receive a credential and Official Junior Olympic Coaches' schwag. PLEASE print out your membership card by going to the USSA website and looking up your USSA number under Member look-up. Click your member link to print your card. Coaches without USSA licenses will not be allowed on the hill.

LIFT TICKETS

Consistent with USSA policies, the rule for complimentary coach lift tickets is set forth below:

First Coach: 1 – 4 athletes

Second Coach: 5 – 8 athletes

Third Coach: 9 – 12 athletes

Fourth Coach: 13 + athletes

You can pick up your lift ticket at Registration. Your name must also be on the list as an approved coach, which was submitted to the EFCC prior to arrival. Coaches in excess of the above quotas will receive discounted lift tickets at the rate of \$30 per day. **Coaches must present a current USSA Coaching License at the time you pick up your lift ticket.** Excess coaches will also be responsible for purchasing a ticket to the banquet for \$30. These can be purchased at registration.

Dodge Ball Tournament ~ Fri, March 16th 2012 6:30pm

The Waterville Valley Rec Department is happy to host the ECJF Champs Dodge Ball Tournament at the WV Rec Center on March 16th at 6:30pm. Teams should sign up by filling out this online form found on the ECJFC website: <http://www.wvbts.org/freestyle/ecjfcamps>. **Teams are encouraged to choose a theme and dress alike. Awards will be given to the team with best theme and dress, and great prizes will be given to 1st and 2nd place Dodge Ball winners.**

Rules of the Tournament:

- Minimum of 10 players per team/Maximum of 20 per team. Teams will only be allowed 20 players on the court per game-NO EXCEPTIONS!
- 10 minute games or last team standing
- Single or double elimination will be determined based on how many teams are in the tournament.
- Teams are expected to be respectful of the Rec. Dept. Staff and to each other. Teams may be disqualified due to unsportsmanlike conduct.**

Rules of Play:

- Each team will start on the opposite end lines of the gym
- With the start of the game, players will run up to the midline grabbing ONE ball per player. Before ball is in play, the players holding a ball must throw it off the back wall.
- If you get hit, you are out and must stand off to the side. Any discrepancies on whether a player was hit or not will be determined by our judges.
- Players may re-enter the game in the order they were eliminated by a teammate catching a ball.
- The entire team may re-enter the game if a basket is made in the opposing team's basket.
- If the ball is being thrown and hits the floor, wall, ceiling it's considered a dead ball.
- If a basket is made and then the ball is caught the person who threw the ball is out, but the rest of the "out" players may re-enter the game.
- No head shots to a standing player. Player throwing the ball will be out, intentional or not. However if a player is hit in the head while bending down, or intentionally tries to get hit in the head the player hit is out and the thrower remains in.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS~

Thursday, March 15

8:30am-2:00pm	Registration/Check In	Sun Room/WVBase Lodge
8:30am	Lift Open for Volunteers & Coaches	White Peaks Quad
9:00am	Lifts Open	All lifts
9:00am-10:45am	Training	Slopestyle – Junior Series
9:00am-11:00am	Training	Moguls – Young Gun Series
11:00am – 12:45pm	Training	Moguls – Junior Series
11:00am – 12:45pm	Training	Aerials – Young Gun Series
1:30pm – 3:30pm	Training	Aerials – Junior Series
1:30pm – 3:30pm	Training	Slopestyle – Young Gun Series
4:00 - 7:00pm Welcome BBQ, Region Parade & BagJump Session ~ Waterville Valley Academy		

Friday, March 16

7:30am–2:00pm	Registration/Check In	Sun Room/WV Base Lodge
7:30am	Lift Opens for Volunteers & Coaches	White Peaks Quad
8:00am	Lifts Open	All lifts
8:15am	Inspection - Aerials	Junior Series
8:15am	Inspection - Slopestyle	Young Gun Series
8:30 –10:00am	Aerial Training	Junior Series
8:30 –10:00am	Slopestyle Training	Young Gun Series
10:15am	Aerial Comp Start	Junior Series
10:15am	Slopestyle Comp Start	Young Gun Series
11:00am – 3:00pm	Mogul Course Opens/Training	Any athlete
2:30 - 3:30pm	Aerial Training	Junior Series
4:30pm	Awards	Base of the Mountain
6:30pm-8:30pm	Dodge Ball Tournament	WV Recreation Center

Saturday, March 17

7:30am–2:00pm	Registration/Check In	Sun Room/WV Base Lodge
7:30am	Lift Opens for Volunteers & Coaches	White Peaks Quad
8:00am	Lifts Open	All lifts
8:15am	Inspection - Moguls	Junior Series
8:15am	Inspection - Aerials	Young Gun Series
8:30 –9:30am	Moguls Training	Junior Series
8:30 –10:00am	Aerials Training	Young Gun Series
9:45am	Mogul Comp Start	Junior Series
10:15am	Aerial Comp Start	Young Gun Series
***1:30 – 3:30pm	Mogul Training	Young Gun Series
9:00am	Slopestyle Training	Any athlete
5:30pm	Banquet and Daily Awards	WV Conference Center

Sunday, March 18

7:30am–8:30am	Registration/Check In	WV Competition Center
7:30am	Lift Opens for Volunteers and Coaches	White Peaks Quad
8:00am	Lifts Open	All lifts
8:15am	Inspection - Slopestyle	Junior Series
8:15am	Inspection - Moguls	Young Gun Series
8:30 –10:00am	Slopestyle Training	Junior Series
8:30 –10:00am	Moguls Training	Young Gun Series
10:15am	Slopestyle Comp Start	Junior Series
10:15am	Moguls Comp Start	Young Gun Series
4:30pm	Daily Awards Ceremony	Base of Mountain

***Dependent upon when the competition ends for the Junior Series group